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In re application of _____ : September 8, 2003
Eric P. Solecky et al. : Examiner: Tung S. Lau
Serial No. : 09/996,399 :
Filed: November 29, 2001 : IBM Corporation
Dept. 18G/Bldg, 300-482
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR : 2070 Route 52
CHARACTERIZING FEATURES AT : Hopewell Junction, NY
SMALL DIMENSIONS : 12533-6531

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Amendment

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The following amendment is submitted in response to the official action dated May 8, 2003.

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Docket No.	FIS920010256US1
Serial No.	09/996,399
Filing Date	11/29/2001
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Attached: Amendment w/One Month Extension of Time



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